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For: ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES
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Examiner: P. Gambel

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

An amendment after final rejection was filed in this case on December 1, 2005.

All rejected claims were canceled, leaving only allowed claims pending.

Applicants have heard nothing from the USPTO since then, and inquire as to why this is so.

Please note that in addition to the facts set forth above, this application has been pending for more than 5 years, so it is de facto a "special" application, which according to the rules, is to be handled with special dispatch.

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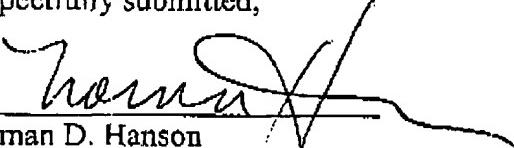
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